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### REMARKS

Claims 8-22 and 27 are indicated to be allowable if placed in independent form, and therefore those claims are now placed in independent form. Claims 30-36 are also indicated to be allowable if the dependency is corrected, and therefore the dependency is corrected. All of the other claims are cancelled.

### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully believed that all of the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. If there is anything in the present response that is unclear or that might hinder a speedy allowance, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would please contact Applicant's attorney by telephone.

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